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SUBJ: KOWALSKY INTERVIEW; DIVERSION OF U.S. DISC HEADS TO BULGARIA

REF: STATE A-1240, PETERS/MCCLELLAND TELECON 2/25/76.

1. REFERENCED AIRGRAM ARRIVED AFTER INTERVIEW, WHICH TOOK PLACE ON MAR 4. EDO EXPECTS TO DISCUSS THE CASE AGAIN WITH KOWALSKY; WILL CONFRONT HIM WITH THE PHYSICAL EVIDENCE AT NEXT MEETING.
2. DURING THE INTERVIEW KOWALSKY TOOK THE SAME LINE TAKEN TO WERNER HARDT, WHOM HE HAS KNOWN FOR YEARS, AND CONSIDERS A CLOSE PERSONAL FRIEND. KOWALSKY MAINTAINED THAT CARAMENT WAS NOT INVOLVED IN THE DIVERSION AND INSISTED THAT HE ACCOMPANIED EBNER TO ENGLAND ONLY TO ACT AS TRANSLATOR. WHEN THE LETTER FROM BRECO TO DE RUITER WAS MENTIONED, KOWALSKY SEEMED PUZZLED AND CLAIMED THAT ALTHOUGH HE KNOWS KISSEL, HE HAS NEVER HEARD OF DE RUITER. WHEN HE LEFT, KOWALSKY INTENDED TO CONTACT KISSEL FOR AN "EXPLANATION OF THE MIS-UNDERSTANDING." HE PROMISED TO KEEP THIS OFFICE INFORMED.
3. THOUGH THE INTERVIEW WAS LONG, KOWALSKY BASICALLY REPEATED THE SUBSTANCE OF CARAMANT'S LETTER TO MR. MEYER DATED 12/4/75. EDO WILL INFORM OEA OF KOWALSKY'S REACTION TO EVIDENCE SENT WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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STATE'S A-1240 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

4. MR. SEECK OF THE OBERFINANZDIREKTION (FRG TAX AUTHORITIES)
SAYS THAT CARAMANT WILL VERY PROBABLY BE FINED RATHER THAN PRO-
SECUTED, BUT THE DECISION IS NOT REALLY FINAL. LEHMANN

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